(c) No. The matter is pending enquiry into the complaints of the adjacent landholders, etc.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether this is the only application received under the Act? Were petitions for major, minor and petty works received by Government?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar)*—It was understood to be applications under the specific section. Only one petition was received and it is dated 28—10—1936.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Whether this petition has been disposed and if not what is the delay due to?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—There are several things to be done. First of all certain files have to be gone through, objections have to be invited and the Peishkar has to make a local inspection. Now it is pending my local inspection.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Did any other departments of Government receive petitions of this nature for there are provisions in the Irrigation Act for petitions before the Panchayat and other departments.

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—I have no information.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Nellayi).*—Has not Government received a petition for the construction of 'Manchira' in the Kalloor Village under this Act?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—I do not think any other petition has been received by the Diwan Peishkar and I may say that the Diwan Peishkar is the officer empowered under that section.

## Grazing ground—Ernakulam.

280. **Mr. A Narayana Menon** *(Vyttila).*—Will the Government be pleased to state the progress made in establishing grazing ground for Ernakulam?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—The Diwan Peishkar has been directed to select a site. His report is awaited.

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**Mr. A. Narayana Menon** *(Vyttila).*—How far have you proceeded with it?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—In the first instance I selected a site. That has not been approved by Government. Another site referred to in the Tahsildar's report is also directed to be examined. Examination is done along with the Chairman. The Chairman has not yet been able to come to a decision.

**Mr. M. V. Cherian** *(Mattancheri South).*—Is the expenditure to be met from the Municipal funds or from Government?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishar).*—That has not been settled.

**Mr. A. Narayana Menon** *(Vyttila).*—What is the area?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—Somewhere in the vicinity of 5 acres.

## Election—4th Legislative Council—particulars regarding.

281. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of people enfranchised for the election to the 4th Legislative Council;

(b) the number of constituencies in which there had been contest and consequent polling;

(c) the percentage of votes polled?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—(a) 48,716.

(b) 19.

(c) The information is not readily available.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—With reference to answer to (c), Sir, from the number of voters and from the number of votes is it very difficult to find out?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon** *(Diwan Peishkar).*—The papers will be with the returning officers.

**Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty** *(Anthikad).*—Cannot the Government get that information?

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